

# The Lord's Prayer Study Guide



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## **Matthew 6:9-13**

*"This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'"*

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## **1. Our Father in Heaven**

- **Intimacy:** God is a loving Father who invites us into a close relationship.  
*Romans 8:15 — "By him we cry, 'Abba, Father.'"*
- **Reverence:** Recognize God's majesty and authority.  
*Isaiah 66:1 — "Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool."*

## **2. Hallowed Be Your Name**

- **Worship:** Honor God's name and character in prayer and life.  
*Psalm 113:3 — "From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised."*
- **Holiness:** Reflect God's set-apart nature through holy living.  
*1 Peter 1:15-16 — "Be holy, because I am holy."*

## **3. Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done**

- **Submission:** Pray for God's will over personal desires.  
*Luke 22:42 — "Not my will, but yours be done."*
- **Kingdom Living:** Advance God's mission through acts of love, justice, and sharing the Gospel.  
*Matthew 6:33 — "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness."*

#### 4. Give Us Today Our Daily Bread

- **Dependence:** Trust God for daily needs—physical and spiritual.  
*Philippians 4:19 — “My God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”*
- **Gratitude:** Recognize all provision as a gift from God.  
*1 Thessalonians 5:18 — “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you In Christ Jesus.”*

#### 5. Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Forgive Our Debtors

- **Confession:** Acknowledge sin and seek God’s forgiveness.  
*1 John 1:9 — “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us.”*
- **Extend Forgiveness:** Show grace to others as God has shown to us.  
*Ephesians 4:32 — “Forgive each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”*

#### 6. Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil

- **Guidance:** Pray for strength to resist temptation and protection from sin.  
*1 Corinthians 10:13 — “God will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear.”*
- **Victory:** Trust God’s power to deliver from evil and walk in righteousness.  
*Ephesians 6:11 — “Put on the full armor of God to stand against the devil’s schemes.”*

#### Reflection Questions:

1. How does the Lord’s Prayer shape your understanding of God’s character?
2. Which part of the prayer challenges you the most? Why?
3. How can you live out “And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors” in your daily life?

#### Application:

This week, pray through each line of the Lord’s Prayer, reflecting on its meaning and asking God to shape your heart and help direct your actions so that you can begin learning to live this prayer.